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COMPTROLLER'S MEMORANDUM NO. 1999-4

TO:

Heads of Departments

ATTN:

Payroll/Personnel Offices

SUBJECT: Submission of Certain Form W-4 Withholding Certificates

This is to remind departments and agencies of the IRS requirement to submit photocopies of certain Form W-4 "Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate".

Instructions on the proper method of preparing and submitting the photocopies of Form W-4 are as follows:

- A. Types of Form W-4 to be photocopied:
 - 1. Employees who claim 11 or more withholding allowances.
 - 2. Employees who claim exemption from federal income tax withholding and their wages would normally be \$200 or more per week. This type of Form W-4 must be re-filed annually by February 15th for the new calendar year. The certificate expires on this date, and if no new certificate is filed, the employing department or agency must begin withholding federal income tax from the affected employee's wages as if the employee is single with zero withholding allowances.

B. Information on Form W-4:

- 1. Enter payroll number and check distribution code in the upper right-hand corner.
- 2. Enter employee's name and address (Block #1). The employee's name should match what is shown on this social security card and the payroll/personnel files.

- 3. Enter employee's social security number (Block #2). The employee's social security number should match what is shown on his social security card and the payroll/personnel files.
- 4. Enter the employee's marital status (Block #3).
- 5. Complete Block #4 if applicable.
- 6. Enter the number of allowances claimed (Block #5).
- 7. Complete Block #7 if applicable.
- 8. Employee's signature.
- 9. Complete Blocks #8 and #10 as follows:

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C. Method of Submittal:

Attach a memo to the Form W-4 copies to indicate the name of the transmitting department/agency and total count of the forms being submitted.

D. Submittal Deadline:

The memo and Form W-4 photocopies are due in DAGS Central Payroll no later than five (5) working days after the quarter has ended.

If there are any questions regarding the IRS requirements or preparation and/or submission of the Form W-4 photocopies, please contact DAGS Central Payroll at 586-0629.

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Attachment

Form W-4 (1999)

Purpose. Complete Form W-4 so your employer can withhold the correct Federal income tax from your pay. Because your tax situation may change, you may want to refigure your withholding each year.

Exemption from withholding. If you are exempt, complete only lines 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7, and sign the form to validate it. Your exemption for 1999 expires February 16, 2000.

Note: You cannot claim exemption from withholding if (1) your income exceeds \$700 and includes more than \$250 of unearned income (e.g., interest and dividends) and (2) another person can claim you as a dependent on their tax return.

Basic instructions. If you are not exempt, complete the Personal Allowances Worksheet. The worksheets on page 2 adjust your withholding allowances based on itemized

deductions, adjustments to income, or two-earner/two-job situations. Complete all worksheets that apply. They will help you figure the number of withholding allowances you are entitled to claim. However, you may claim fewer allowances.

Child tax and higher education credits. For details on adjusting withholding for these and other credits, see Pub. 919, Is My Withholding Correct for 1999?

Head of household. Generally, you may claim head of household filing status on your tax return only if you are unmarried and pay more than 50% of the costs of keeping up a home for yourself and your dependent(s) or other qualifying individuals. See line E below.

Nonwage income. If you have a large amount of nonwage income, such as interest or dividends, you should consider making estimated tax payments using Form 1040-ES. Otherwise, you may owe additional tax.

Two earners/two jobs. If you have a working spouse or more than one job, figure the total number of allowances you are entitled to claim on all jobs using worksheets from only one Form W-4. Your withholding will usually be most accurate when all allowances are claimed on the Form W-4 prepared for the highest paying job and zero allowances are claimed for the others.

others.

Check your withholding. After your Form W-4 takes effect, use Pub. 919 to see how the dollar amount you are having withheld compares to your estimated total annual tax. Get Pub. 919 especially if you used the Two-Earner/Two-Job Worksheet and your earnings exceed \$150,000 (Single) or \$200,000 (Married).

Recent name change? If your name on line 1 differs from that shown on your social security card, call 1-800-772-1213 for a new social security card.

Witi	thholding allowances based on itemized Personal Allowan	ces Worksheet								
	Enter "1" for yourself if no one else can claim you as a depen	dent		Δ						
^	You are single and have only one job; or									
В	Enter "1" if: You are married, have only one job, and you	ir spouse does not :	work: or	В						
_	Your wages from a second job or your spouse			00 or less						
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•		Enter "1" for your spouse. But, you may choose to enter -0- if you are married and have either a working spouse or more than one job. (This may help you avoid having too little tax withheld.).								
D		•								
E	Enter "1" if you will file as head of household on your tax retu									
F	•	•	·							
G	•	Enter "1" if you have at least \$1,500 of child or dependent care expenses for which you plan to claim a credit F								
_	eligible child. • If your total income will be between \$50,000 and \$80,000 (\$63,000 and \$115,000 if married), enter "1" if you have									
	two eligible children, enter "2" if you have three or four eligible children	•		•						
н	Add lines A through G and enter total here. Note: This amount may be diffe	•		~						
••	• If you plan to itemize or claim adjustmen		, ,	•	ions					
	and Adjustments Worksheet on page 2			2						
	For accuracy, complete all	and your combined	d earnings from a	all jobs exceed \$32,000, OR if	you					
	worksheets are married and have a working spouse or		-							
		\$55,000, see the Two-Farner/Two-leb Worksheet on page 2 to avoid having too little tay withheld								
	• If neither of the above situations applies, sto	p here and enter the	number from line	H on line 5 of Form W-4 below	٧.					
	Employee's Withholdil partment of the Treasury email Revenue Service For Privacy Act and Paperwoon			1 1999	טרנ					
1		Last name	uce, see page 2.	2 Your social security number						
•	Type of plate your mot hardo and made mind	Cost Name			i i					
Home address (number and street or rural route) City or town, state, and ZIP code		3 Single	Married M	arried, but withhold at higher Single	rate.					
			Note: If married, but legally separated, or spouse is a nonresident alien, check the Single box.							
		4 If your last	4 If your last name differs from that on your social security card, check							
		here. You r	here. You must call 1-800-772-1213 for a new card							
-5	5 Total number of allowances you are claiming (from line H above	or from the workshee	ets on page 2 if th	nev apply) 5						
6	Additional amount, if any, you want withheld from each paycheck									
	7 I claim exemption from withholding for 1999, and I certify that I meet BOTH of the following conditions for exemption:									
•	• Last year I had a right to a refund of ALL Federal income tax withheld because I had NO tax liability AND									
	This year I expect a refund of ALL Federal income tax with									
	If you meet both conditions, write "EXEMPT" here			7						
	nder penalties of perjury, I certify that I am entitled to the number of withholdin			am entitled to claim exempt status.						
	mployee's signature									
unless you sign it) ▶ Date ▶										
	orm is not valid nless you sign it) ▶		Date ►							
unl		ting to the IRS)	9 Office code	10 Employer identification number	er					
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	Deductions and Adjustments Worksheet						
Note 1	e: Use this worksheet only if you plan to itemize deductions or claim adjustments to income on your 1995. Enter an estimate of your 1999 itemized deductions. These include qualifying home mortgage interest, charitable contributions, state and local taxes (but not sales taxes), medical expenses in excess of 7.5% of your income, and miscellaneous deductions. (For 1999, you may have to reduce your itemized		return.				
	deductions if your income is over \$126,600 (\$63,300 if married filing separately). Get Pub. 919 for details.)	1	\$				
	\$7,200 if married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er)						
^	\$6,350 if head of household	2	\$				
2	Enter: \$4,300 if single						
	\$3,600 if married filing separately		_				
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1. If line 2 is greater than line 1, enter -0		\$				
4	Enter an estimate of your 1999 adjustments to income, including alimony, deductible IRA contributions, and student loan interest		\$				
5	Add lines 3 and 4 and enter the total		\$				
6	Enter an estimate of your 1999 nonwage income (such as dividends or interest)		\$				
7	Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter the result, but not less than -0		Ψ				
8	Divide the amount on line 7 by \$3,000 and enter the result here. Drop any fraction						
9	Enter the number from Personal Allowances Worksheet, line H, on page 1						
10	this total on line 1 below. Otherwise, stop here and enter this total on Form W-4, line 5, on page 1						
	Two-Earner/Two-Job Worksheet		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Note	: Use this worksheet only if the instructions for line H on page 1 direct you here.						
1	Enter the number from line H on page 1 (or from line 10 above if you used the Deductions and Adjustments Worksheet)	1					
2	Find the number in Table 1 below that applies to the LOWEST paying job and enter it here						
3	If line 1 is GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO line 2, subtract line 2 from line 1. Enter the result here (if						
	zero, enter -0-) and on Form W-4, line 5, on page 1. DO NOT use the rest of this worksheet						
Note	: If line 1 is LESS THAN line 2, enter -0- on Form W-4, line 5, on page 1. Complete lines 4–9 to calculate						
	the additional withholding amount necessary to avoid a year end tax bill.						
4	Enter the number from line 2 of this worksheet						
5	Enter the number from line 1 of this worksheet						
6	Subtract line 5 from line 4		<u></u>				
7	Find the amount in Table 2 below that applies to the HIGHEST paying job and enter it here		<u>\$</u>				
8	Multiply line 7 by line 6 and enter the result here. This is the additional annual withholding amount needed		3				
 Divide line 8 by the number of pay periods remaining in 1999. (For example, divide by 26 if you are paid every other week and you complete this form in December 1998.) Enter the result here and on Form W-4, line 6, page 1. This is the additional amount to be withheld from each paycheck							
	Table 1: Two-Earner/Two-Job Worksheet						
	Married Filing Jointly All Others						
		s from l job are	OWEST	Enter on line 2 above			
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	Table 2: Two-Earner/Two-Job Worksheet			- 			
	Married Filing Jointly All Others						
	If wages from HIGHEST Enter on If wages from HIGHEST Enter on paying job are— line 7 above line 7 above						
	\$0 - \$50,000 \$400 \$0 - \$30,000 \$400 50,001 - 100,000						

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